

Doctor Karl T. Compton Returns To Institute After 28,000 Mile Tour Of Pacific War Theatre

President Compton has returned to the Institute from an intensive inspection tour of the far-flung Pacific war theater, where he studied at first hand the application of important scientific developments to active war operations on land and sea. Dr. Compton's inspection trip of 41 days was made in his capacity as Chief of the Office of Field Service of the Office of Scientific Research and Development. He traveled chiefly by air and in approximately six weeks flew 28,000 miles, a distance which by ship and railroad would have required months.

In an exclusive interview with a representative of THE TECH, President Compton commented on some of his observations during visits to some of the most important zones of operation in the Southwest and Central Pacific areas, including Australia and New Guinea.

Meets MacArthur

Upon his arrival in Australia, Dr. Compton proceeded directly to the headquarters of General Douglas MacArthur, who upon greeting him recalled some of the services Dr. Compton had rendered the War Department when the general was Chief of Staff in Washington. It was at General MacArthur's Office that Dr. Compton met the well-known Washington correspondent,

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Dr. Compton standing beside the Army transport plane in which he flew to the battle zone.

Photo by U. S. Signal Corps

TCA Blood Donor Drive To Commence Tuesday With Rallies In 10-250

Official Notice

Students who have not yet obtained their registration material should call for it at the Information Office, Room 7-111 immediately. This material must be filled in and returned to Room 3-107 before 2:00 P. M. Thursday, February 17.

The last exercises for this term for fourth-year and graduate students will be Friday, February 18. The last exercises for the first, second, and third years will be Saturday, February 19.

Fire Wrecks Four Bowling Alleys In Walker Basement

The four bowling alleys in the basement of Walker Memorial were completely destroyed last Saturday evening in a fire which, according to Mr. Albert W. Bridges who discovered it, "was probably caused by a careless cigarette." Mr. Bridges, Manager of the Walker Dining Service, found the fire about 6:45 P. M. in the rear of the alleys.

An alarm was promptly put in and a company of the Cambridge Fire Department soon appeared. The fire was quickly put under control before it could spread elsewhere in the building.

Magoun Concludes Marriage Series

4620 Attend Eight T.C.A. Sponsored Talks

All records for attendance established during other T.C.A. marriage series were shattered this year. The figures reveal that 1,125 persons attended the first group of two lectures, 1,250 attended the second, 1,130 attended the third, and 1,115 attended the last, or a total of 4,620 for the eight lectures. This is an average of 577 persons per lecture. Since Huntington Hall seats but 523, the resulting crowded situation is obvious. The record for any individual lecture was established at the second lecture, when 700 persons attended.

Compton Will Preside; Two Technicolor Films To Be Presented

The long-awaited T. C. A. Blood Donor Drive will get underway on Tuesday, February 15, with two rallies in Huntington Hall, Room 10-250. President Karl T. Compton will preside at both of the rallies, to be held at 4:00 P. M. and at 5:00 P. M. "The Battle of Midway" and "Liberty's Life Stream," two sound movies in technicolor, will be shown. The former is an official navy filming of the historic Pacific battle, and the latter is a Red Cross film which shows the steps in the processing of blood plasma.

Lieutenant Commander L. Burton Benjamin of the Medical Corps of the U. S. Navy, who returned recently from the Solomons where he had been in action with the Seabees for twenty-one months, will tell of

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Seven Freshmen Gain Positions On WalkerMem.Comm.

New Members Selected From 37 Contestants In 2 Week Competition

Seven freshmen have been appointed to the Walker Memorial Committee to serve under King Cayce, 10-44, the newly elected Chairman of the Committee. They are C. Arthur Borg, Radley H. Daly, Hillman Dickinson, S. James Goldstein, Samuel Gusman, John R. Kirkpatrick, and J. Philip Landis.

Thirty-seven freshmen took part in the competition for the Committee posts which lasted two weeks. Candidates had to turn in a theme on the improvement of student activities at the Institute. They also worked several hours at the Walker Memorial Committee office in order to get acquainted with the workings of the Committee. At the end of one week of tryouts thirteen men remained in competition. These men had to choose a project and complete it within another week.

3rd ASTP-V12 Test Scheduled

Applications Are At Admissions Office

The third Army-Navy College Qualifying Test for the Army ASTP and the Navy V-12, which will be given throughout the country on Wednesday, March 15, at 9:00 A.M., will be administered at the Institute under the supervision of Professor Paul M. Chalmers.

A leaflet of general information which contains an admission-identification form may be obtained at the Admissions Office, Room 3-104. This form properly filled out will admit to the test students between the ages of 17 and 21 inclusive who are high school graduates or who will be graduated by July 1, 1944.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training, and all qualified students are urged to take the test. At the time of the test each candidate will be given the choice of service performance, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

Hal McIntyre's Band Acclaimed As Best New Group In Country

Hal McIntyre, whose band will play at the Senior Ball, was voted the best band by the 1942 college music poll. But in spite of his recent successes, he has been known to the musical world, for a comparatively short time.

Hal's rise to fame began in 1936 in Cromwell, Connecticut, his home town, where he had a small band of his own. That year, Benny Goodman came to Cromwell, and after hearing Hal play, he advised the young musician to go to New York and join Glenn Miller, who was then forming a band. Miller's first attempt proved unsuccessful, and the band was broken up. However, a short time later, Miller tried again, and this time his band clicked. For four years Hal served in Glenn Miller's band, rising with the star of that famous orchestra.

Forms Own Band

Finally, in 1941, Glenn advised Hal to organize a band of his own. Respecting Miller's judgment, Hal formed his own band in the fall of that year. He planned to make the new orchestra different. Realizing that his band would have to have something new, he set out to show the public that he had a style and musical by-line comparable to the distinctive style of Walter Winchell in the newspaper world.

Gathering experienced musicians for his new venture, he opened at the Glen Island Casino. In January, 1943, he opened in the Century Room of the Hotel Commodore in New York and the reputation he had built up proved true; his band was new, it was different, and people liked it.

Frosh To Hold Meeting In Room 1-390 Today

There will be a meeting of the class of 2-46 this afternoon at 5:00 P.M. in Room 1-390. The meeting will be devoted to the discussion of the kind of identification, ties or neckerchiefs, the incoming freshmen are to wear. It is important for all members of the present freshman class to attend the meeting.

SENIOR BAND LEADER



Hal McIntyre whose band will play at the Senior Ball, February 25

Technique To Have New Navy Section

War Will Not Effect Size of Publication

"M.I.T. as a Preparation for Industry" will be the theme of the 1945 Technique, it was announced this week by the yearbook's senior board. It was also guaranteed that the size and quality of the book will not be affected by the War, since the publication has greater sales possibilities at this time than in the past; and there is a larger and more varied school to portray.

Highlights of the 1945 Technique will be several innovations such as unique divider pages and a very large Navy section. Senior Photographic Editor William Farrow, 6-45, has over twenty Navy photographers busy in an effort to make this section of Technique picturesque and interesting.

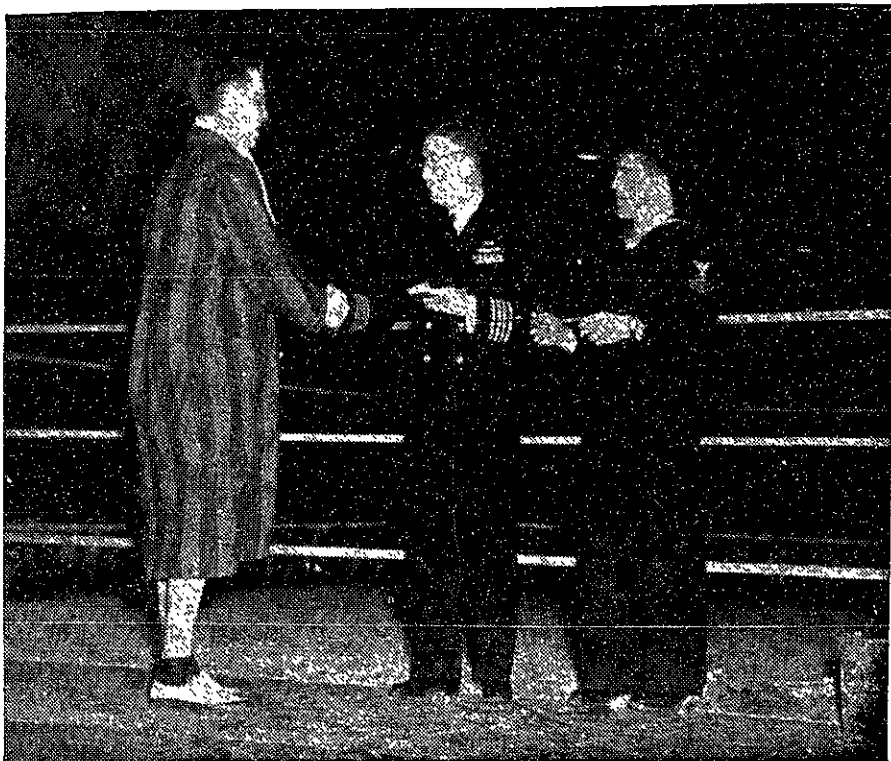
Invitations To Alumni Day Banquet Available

Those who have not received invitations to the "Stein on the Table" Alumni Day Banquet, yet expect degrees in 1944, should call for these invitations at the Alumni Office, Room 3-219. Replies must be in before February 12, and tickets may be picked up between February 14 and 23.

Infirmary To Be Moved To 10-340

The Homberg Infirmary will shortly move to new quarters in the Emma Rogers Room, room 10-340, it was announced recently. This change, which is only temporary, is dictated by the remodeling of the first and second floors of the present infirmary. The rebuilt infirmary will have better clinical facilities and a greater bed capacity, the need for which has been highlighted in recent months.

CAPTAIN NICHOLS AWARDS TROPHY TO BOXER



A winner of the Navy boxing tournament held last Friday night in the Armory receives his prize from Captain Newton L. Nichols, head of the First Naval District.

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RARE CHANCE

For several years Senior Week has traditionally been the last big social event for the Senior Class at Technology. It has always offered the best possible combination of parties and banquets to those students about to leave after four years of study at the Institute. It has always been thought of as a fitting climax to a student's undergraduate days, and as such the right to attend has always been jealously reserved solely for the member of the graduating class.

But this year necessary changes have been made as a result of the smaller class and in the interest of better entertainment. The Senior Banquet, Class Day, the Tea Dance and the President's Reception are still sacred to Seniors, but the Senior Week Committee has decided to allow any undergraduate to attend the Senior Ball on Friday night. This move was thought advisable because a budget based on the Senior Class alone would not be large enough to enable the committee to obtain a really "big-name" band for the Ball. By allowing more students to attend the Ball, a better band was signed.

Underclassmen are therefore faced with an opportunity that has never been given to any class before, that of attending a Senior Ball while still only a Junior, Sophomore, or freshman. These men would undoubtedly find the dance a very splendid evening's entertainment and an event not soon to be forgotten.

AND YOU?

Publicity agents have given a lot of fancy, high-sounding names to the human blood plasma that the American Red Cross is collecting. They have also painted the donors as heroes of one sort or another. They have told dramatic stories of how men are brought back from death's door by the miracle of blood plasma. You've read about it in the papers, heard it on the radio, and seen it in the movies. Maybe you're tired of hearing it discussed in such high-toned phrases. That's understandable.

Actually the blood donating process is very simple. It's something that anyone can understand and participate in. It needs no fancy names, dramatizing, or Hollywood build-up to see what it is and the good it is doing. It's something fundamental and real, so real that it is a live question right here at the Institute. Have YOU ever given blood? If you are here on an occupational draft deferment don't you think that you owe this service to your friends who are fighting, and to your country? If you have some relative in the services your blood may some day help him.

Don't complain that you don't have time or that it is too inconvenient. The recently formed M.I.T. Blood Donor Committee will sign you up, take you to the Red Cross Center in a taxi, and bring you back again. They are prepared to do everything but actually give the blood for you. Miss Connie Holton will have a desk in the Information Office starting next Wednesday to take care of all of this for you and the T.C.A. Advisory Board has donated the money necessary for the service. The entire trip from the doors of Building Seven and back again will take an hour and a half at the most. Any other questions will be answered at the Blood Donor Rally in Huntington Hall next Tuesday afternoon.

Letter to the Editor

In last Friday's issue of *The Tech* you announced over the names of fifteen new Beaver Key men, not those elected by the class, the following:

"Members of the Beaver Key Society who were selected yesterday by the newly elected members of the society are:"

This statement is completely wrong. The fifteen men were selected three weeks ago, after interviews, by the Executive Committee of Beaver Key—not by the eight men recently elected by the class.

Kenneth G. Scheid,
Secretary Beaver Key Society

Doctor Compton Visits New Guinea

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Raymond Clapper, and it was through this columnist's reports from Australia that news of Dr. Compton's presence in Australia first reached this country. Dr. Compton expressed his great regret over the unfortunate death of Clapper in an airplane crash during the attack on the Marshall Islands.

President Compton said he was "tremendously impressed" by the esprit de corps of the men he met in Australia and New Guinea. "They know exactly what they want to do, how they intend to do it, and how the war is to be won. Adequate transportation is the only limitation to a faster advance, but this handicap is rapidly being overcome."

Colonels to Generals, all think that General MacArthur is the man to do the job and they trust him implicitly. Dr. Compton was told that the General had a slogan that he adhered to at all times when dealing with his men, particularly those on his staff: "Either believe them, or relieve them."

Dr. Compton submitted his official recommendations to MacArthur just before his departure. General MacArthur's comments on the report showed that he was well informed on the subjects and a very realistic, practical person. Dr. Compton particularly enjoyed his talks with General MacArthur whom he found to be a very affable and forceful leader.

Visits New Guinea

The Institute's President flew into the New Guinea fighting zone to study the use of scientific devices under active service conditions on that island. The malaria control methods also arrested his attention. He reported that by arduous, and sometimes highly dangerous efforts, the malaria rate has been reduced to approximately 26 per thousand per year. At first it was believed that the Japanese as a race were more immune to this disease than our own troops, but it has been discovered that the reverse is true. The greater resistance of our men is attributed chiefly to the better diet of the American fighting man in the Army and Navy.

Many former Institute men recognized Dr. Compton and many spoke to him and asked for news of M.I.T. He estimates that he met some two hundred Technology men and that many others were in the groups that he saw. A banquet was planned for all former Technology men in the area around Brisbane, but this had to be called off in order to allow more time for the completion of Dr. Compton's mission. General George C. Kenney, '11, Commander of Air Operations in the Southwest Area and head of the Fifth Air Force, was among the graduates who chatted with Dr. Compton.

While in Pearl Harbor he had occasion to discuss the treatment of Japanese internees there. He was told that they were receiving the best possible treatment and were, within the bounds of the encampment, policing themselves. The system, he was informed, was working so well that several subversive prisoners had been turned over to the American authorities by the loyal internees.

In The Spotlight

In the fall of 1940, a young, innocent freshman, just graduated from the Polytechnic Preparatory Day School in Brooklyn, came to the hallowed grounds of Technology, and was immediately pounced upon by the rushing wolves of Phi Kappa Sigma. This young man, who was later to become president of the house in his Senior year, is Kenneth Warwick Nelson of Staten Island, New York.

Entering M.I.T. on a Freshman Competitive Scholarship, Ken registered in Course XV, the course in which he has continued, taking an overload of several Aeronautical Engineering subjects. Ken immediately entered the activities of the Institute by being elected the Freshman Council Representative of his section and member of the Freshman Dance Committee. When Field Day came around, Nelson became a member of the Frosh relay team, and continued in track for the rest of the year.

Track Tennis Title

Ken also entered the tennis tournament of that year and proceeded to win it "with the aid of a good cold wind." He played tennis for the next three years, and became captain of the Varsity in his last year. Ken was also on the squash team in his Sophomore and Junior years. To supplement his athletics, Nelson was on the M.I.T.A.A. in his third and fourth years.

In his Sophomore and Junior years, Ken really began to take part in college life at Technology. In addition to being on the Sophomore Dance Committee and a Field Day



KENNETH W. NELSON

Usher he became a member of "that famous beer-drinking association," the Quadrangle Club. Ken was also appointed to the Budget Committee of which he later became chairman. In this capacity he was treasurer of the Institute Committee. He was also Phi Kappa Sig's representative to the Interfraternity Conference. To crown his achievements in his third year, Nelson was elected to the Junior Honorary Society, the Beaver Club.

Member of Osiris

Ken was elected to the coveted Senior secret society, Osiris in his Senior year. In addition to this honor, Nelson became Chairman of Sales of the Senior Week Committee, continued in his post of Chairman of the Budget Committee, and became a member of the Nautical Association.

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Squash Team Defeats Exeter

Middlesex Crushed; Four Matches Are Held

MIT's Squash Team held a busy week of competition, as they crowded four matches into their schedule. Middlesex was beaten 4-1 by the strong Tech varsity. Roger Sonabend, in the number one spot, defeated his opponent 3-2; Captain Hewson won 3-1; and Pierce and "Stu" Brauno made a clean sweep of their matches with 3-0 victories.

Exeter Defeated

In the second meet of the week, the Techmen met Exeter, one of the strongest schoolboy outfits in the East. For the first time in our competition with the Prep. School, our team finished with a decisive win. The final score was 4-1 in MIT's favor, as the Exeter star, a champion of the Harvard Interscholastics, salvaged their only win. Hewson, also meeting a strong opponent, made a comeback to win 3-2 after dropping the first two sets. Brauns and Pierce again produced 3-0 victories, and Bator won 3-1.

Two other meets were played, both of which went against MIT. The Radiation Lab. team defeated the M.I.T. "A" team, and the Union Boat Club Blues sent the M.I.T. "B" team to defeat with a decisive 5-0 total.

NAVY SPORTSREEL

Company one came through with seventeen points to win the last inter-company swimming meet and the unit championship. Company ten won second place with thirteen points, while companies five and seven tied for third with twelve points each. Company four was runner up with eleven points.

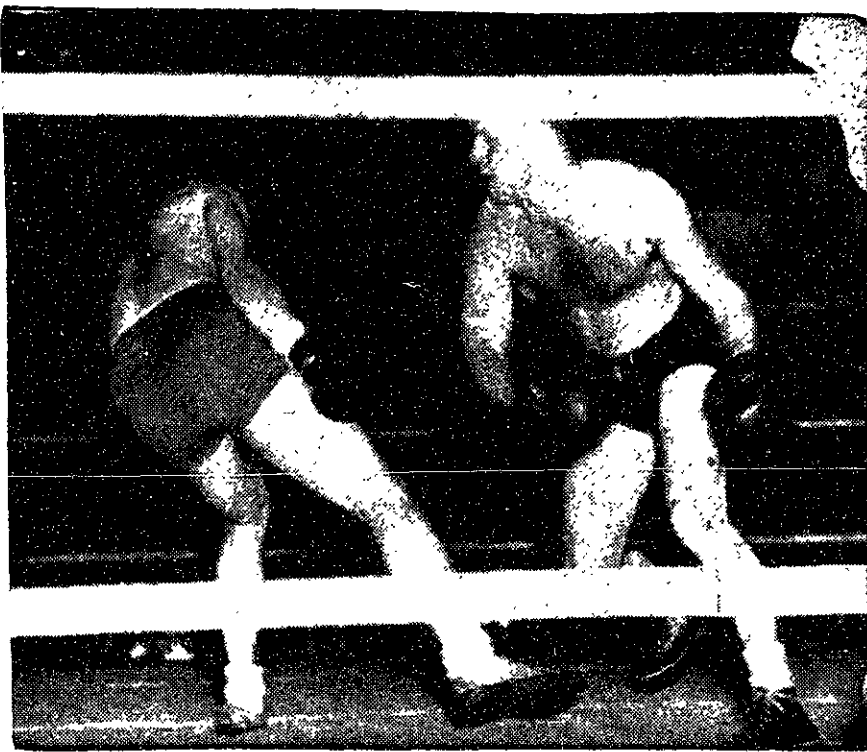
The unit records set at the January swimming meet were broken in every event except the 100-yard freestyle stroke and the 75-yard back stroke. The company one 200-yard relay team, Kingsbury, Jackson, Flut, and Hague, set a new record of 1:53.3. Chabot, of company seven, won the fifty in 26.8. Hardy, McCrath, and Whipple of company ten won the 300-yard medley relay in 4:10.6. Goldstein of company five broke his record of 1:03.6 in the hundred with a time of 1:02.1, and the company four 400-yard team, Hoaglund, Davies, Tisdale, and Tavenner, set a new record of 4:53.1.

The record of 1:18.4 in the breast stroke, set by Adams of company ten in the January meet, and the record of 52.7 for the back stroke, set by O'Shea of company nine, also set in the January meet, still stand.

Boxing Results

121 Holmes	155 Hixon
128 Allberry K.O.	165 Persely
135 Zaharchuk	175 Atwell
145 Craig	Unlimited Gregory

GREGORY DUCKS SEWAK'S BIG BERTHA



Basketball

The intramural basketball tournament ended with its last games on Wednesday almost 13 weeks after the first games. However, there is a tie for first place in both leagues A and B which will require several elimination games to determine the winners. These games will be played on Monday of next week.

After the winners for each league have been determined, they will play a round-robin tournament totaling six games.

League Standing

League A: Three way tie between Co's 1, 4, and 8 with 7 wins and 2 losses each. League B: Two way tie between Co's 5 and 10 with 8 wins and 1 loss each. League C: Co. 5 with a perfect record of 9 wins and 0 losses. League D: Company 10 also with a perfect record of 9 wins and 0 losses.

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Beaver Tracksters To Compete In B.A.A. Games Tomorrow

The Beaver track team will place entries in five events at the B.A.A. Games in the Boston Garden tomorrow night, Coach Oscar Hedlund revealed yesterday. Three relay teams, two highjumpers, and one dashman will represent the Red and Gray in Boston's big track splurge of this winter season.

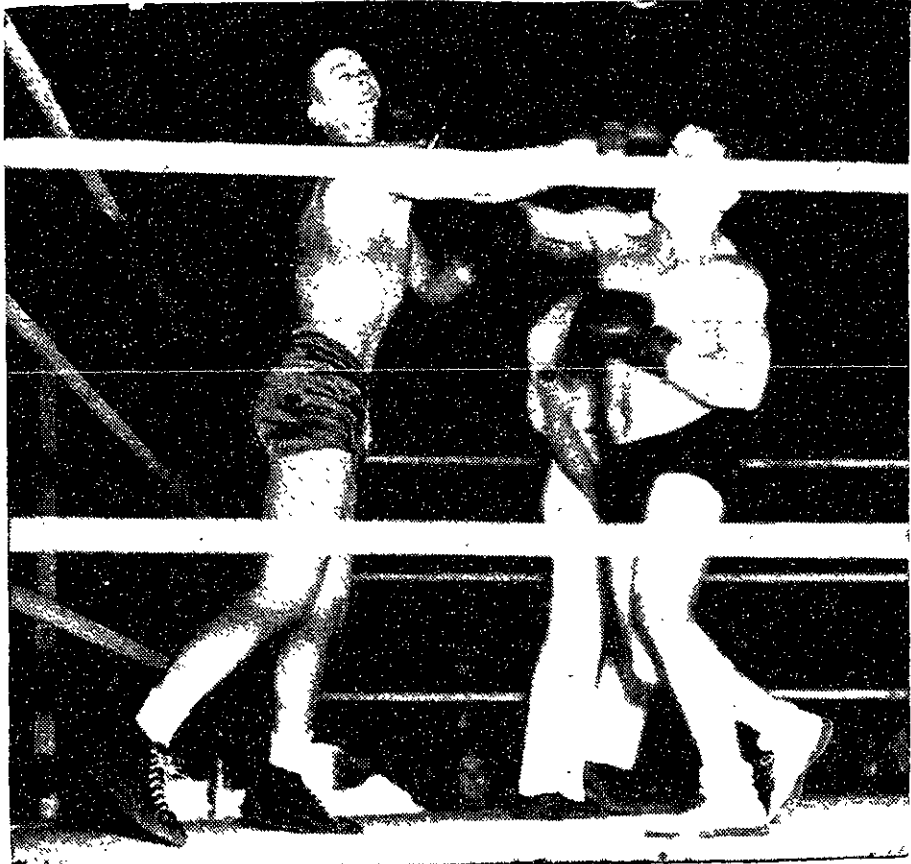
In the New York Millrose Games last week-end the one mile relay team of Ed Burns, Charlie Goldie, Bob Grady, and Dave Bailey came in second against Tufts, who ran the fastest time of the evening at 3:30.2 for one mile. Boston College and Holy Cross finished behind Tech in that order.

That same one mile relay will face Harvard and Cornell tomorrow in the North Station, if Bud Bryan is still laid low with a cold. Otherwise Bud will probably see action in this first string quartet. The second team one mile relay will consist of Holbie Hollister, Alan Kay, Bill Casey, and Andy McKee.

In the varsity two mile relay Otto Kirschner, Al Pritchard, Dick Poorman, and Art Schwartz will run. And in the high jump event Bill Pasfield and John Adams will be entered, while Bill Casey will be the lone dashman signed up for the 50-yard affair.

For the first time in history the B.A.A. Games will include a potato race and an obstacle course. Only hitch is that V-12 men in Harvard, Tufts, and M.I.T. can have the fun. Local candidates from the Graduate House are Whipple, Shultz, Wescott, and White in the obstacle; and Simpson, Brodie, Schindell, and Ray in the potato contest.

CRAIG ABSORBS ONE FROM LAURENZANO



DON'T FORGET:

8:02 and M-22 Review Classes
begin today (Friday).

M-12, 5:02, 2:01 and 2:04-2:042
start tomorrow (Saturday).

8:04 Review begins Monday.

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Feb. Tech Engineering News Features Story On Biology Dept.

The February issue of T.E.N. which will appear on or around February 14, will be in line with the last issue in following through with the theme on Technology. The second in the series of articles on the various departments at the Institute will be on the Biological and Sanitary Engineering Department. There will also be the regular alumni-of-the-month feature and an editorial called "A Tech Man's Paradise," beside a number of scientific articles.

The alumni-of-the-month is Stuart Chase, noted economist, and son of Harvey Chase, '83, owner of the famous Boston firm of accountance.

There will be an article by Professor Lockhard of the Biological and Sanitary Engineering Department, entitled, "What You Eat Is Our Business." This concerns an exchange project now going on between a Mexican University and Technology whereby doctors are sent to study the other countries' medical problems. Another article written by Arthur Linz, 2-46, is entitled "Moly the Work Horse" and shows the role the element molybdenum is playing in our Oil Industry. There also is an article by Russell Dostal on the U. S. development of the Guayule Industry and the function of guayule products in this war.

An article by D. B. Mason, '23, will deal with the Sulfur Industry and sulfur products being used in this war.

The cover design has not been revealed as yet as it is intended to be a surprise as is the editorial, called "A Tech Man's Paradise."

Spotlight

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Ken's interests are restricted primarily to Wellesley, and graduation, for the present. However, he did list aviation and sailing as two other hobbies. In the last term of his Senior year, "Lord" Nelson became a part-time automobile mechanic in a local garage "to learn the practical side of engineering." To explode the myth of the Tech superman, Ken stated that he was put under the supervision of a high school student who had to show him everything about the workings of the automobile engine.

After graduation, Ken hopes to get his start in engineering production, and then switch to management. He has just completed his thesis on "Feeder Airline Control" in which he is very interested. Ken Nelson is a typical Techman and many of Inst. Comm.'s members will long remember these off-repeated words, "Gentlemen, the Chairman of the Budget Committee disburses all undergraduate monies. . . ."

Swimmers Defeat W.I.P. Team 46-29

Two Records Smashed In Third Straight Win

Last Saturday, Worcester Polytechnic Institute went down to defeat 46-29 at the hands of the visiting M.I.T. Swimming Team. The strong Technology Varsity finished well in front, the final tally being 43-29, as Tech swept five of the nine events.

Technology athletes have acquired a habit of outdoing previous efforts, for two varsity records were smashed in last Saturday's meet. Nick Mumford backstroked his way to victory and a new record, with a 1 min. 46 sec. effort for 150 yards. The other record was set by Jim Waters, his second record performance of the year. His time was 2 min. 40.6 secs. in the 200-yard breaststroke.

Tech Men Come From Behind

In the rest of the competition, M. I. T. split the relays, as they won the 300-yard medley and dropped the 400-yard relay. W.P.I. also snared victories in the 220-yard freestyle, the 60-yard freestyle, and the 100-yard freestyle. In all three races, the Tech entry finished a close second. Those initial victories sent W. P. I. well out in front, but Hunn and Eisenhardt placed one-two in the dive to spark the team on a winning course. Bowen placed first for M.I.T. in the 440-yard freestyle with a 5 min. 43.8 sec. time.

This victory stretched the Techmen's winning streak to three triumphs in consecutive Saturday meets. Tomorrow, our Varsity will engage a strong Rensselaer outfit. This return bout finds the M. I. T. athletes out to revenge that close 39-36 decision that R. P. I. eked out at their last meet, when Tech was minus the services of several stars.

SAE Faces Cadets For B.K. Title

Phi Deltas And Chi Phi Gain Playoff Berths

Both S.A.E. and the Cadets remain undefeated after the playoff games for the Beaver Key basketball championship. These two teams will meet in a final tilt this Thursday night.

Both Phi Delta Theta and Chi Phi, the other two teams in the playoffs, were crushed in their games with S.A.E., in both these games who showed the superior playing skill which has carried them through the entire season undefeated.

Cadets Win Easily

The cadets also had little trouble in taking their first two games by overwhelming Phi Delta Theta, 45 to 10, and Chi Phi 48 to 10. The army boys were never in trouble in either game.

In a game played last Sunday to decide the winner of the Brookline-Bay State league, Phi Delta Theta topped Sigma Nu, 15 to 12. This was a rough and tumble contest with no holds barred. The lead changed several times, the Phi Deltas had the extra push which put them on top at the finish.

Chi Phi Gains Playoff Berth

In the game between Chi Phi and S.E.X. to determine the fraternity winner of the Memorial-Fenway league, Chi Phi was the victor by the close margin of 24 to 18. This was another hard fought game, in which two top-flight teams battled to the final whistle. When the final whistle did blow, Chi Phi was on top, and thus gained a playoff berth. Phi Delta Theta and Chi Phi will play a game to determine their final standing in the playoffs, this Friday night.

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Oarsmen Hit Stride In Winter Practice

This week the winter session of crew practice hit its full stride. The squads were rowing up to high stroke for protracted periods for the first time this season. Coach Moch said that he was impressed with the seriousness with which the crew members are treating the workout on the machines. In contrast to other years, when attendance was very sporadic, this year's squad turns out almost in its entirety for every practice session.

Bob Moch also commented on the great improvement shown by the new men. Novices, whose first contact with an oar was made about a month ago have developed into capable oarsmen. It is expected that several good boats can be formed from the numbers of candidates who have turned out for this year's Tech crew.

The only shortage in manpower that has affected the crew is the current deficiency in big men over six feet in height and 170 pounds. Coach Moch has expressed a desire to see more of these large men turn out for practice at the boathouse.

Newly Organized Blood Donor Committee Meets

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his experiences with plasma. Professor Avery A. Ashdown and K. T. Momose, 2-44, both of whom belong to that select circle of persons who have donated a gallon or more of blood, will tell of their blood donor experiences.

Committee Meets

The newly organized M.I.T. Blood Donor Committee, consisting of twenty representatives of the administration, the faculty, the student body, the armed forces at the Institute, the research personnel at the Institute, the Red Cross, and the T. C. A. held its first meeting on Wednesday afternoon in Dean Caldwell's office. Wallace M. Ross, General Secretary of the T.C.A., was named chairman of the committee. Miss Constance Houghton will serve as sign-up secretary from 9:00 A. M. until 5:00 P. M. in the Information Office starting Wednesday.



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